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OUR FILE NO.: 126-317

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MESSAGE:

**RE: SERIAL NO. 09/833,866
GROUP ART UNIT: 1761**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 8, 2003
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)
TERMINAL DISCLAIMER
CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM (PTO-2038) - (Terminal Disclaimer Fee)
CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM (PTO-2038) - (3 Month Request for Extension Fee)**

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Thank you!

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Two Credit Card Authorization forms are enclosed for the payment of the Terminal Disclaimer fee and Three Month Extension Request due in this application. If there is any additional fees due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-1453 (Our File No. 126-317).


Russell D. Culbertson, Reg. No. 32,124

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:
Eldon Roth

Serial No.: 09/833,866

Filed: April 12, 2001

FOR: pH ENHANCED MEAT
COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR
PRODUCING A pH ENHANCED
MEAT COMPOSITION

Group Art Unit: 1761

Examiner: Arthur Corbin

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed September 8, 2003, in the above-identified application, and is filed within the third month following the three-month shortened statutory period for response set in the Office Action. A petition for a three-month extension of time is enclosed herewith together with a payment of the appropriate extension fee.

Please amend the application as follows: